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Problem Statement

Conduct research on fundamental problems in geometric computation for assessing spatial relationships between objects segmented into a few classes. Specific subproblems include, but are not limited to,

- Grouping elements in each class by proximity or by known attributes,
- Reporting elements and groupings of other classes that are closer than threshold distance,
- Visually representing spatial concentrations of elements in a class.

The setting for such problems includes dynamically changing configurations.

Summary of Important Results

Together with my PhD student Young Kim, I have explored how to deduce from spatially distributed moving point sets information relevant to situation awareness. A technology assessment of techniques from computational geometry has been augmented with new concepts responsive to customer requirements. The computed information has been presented in a pre-attentive manner to aid rapid comprehension. The results have been reported in Kim's PhD dissertation on line at

<http://www.cs.purdue.edu/homes/cmh/distribution/Theses/KimThesis.pdf>. Preliminary findings have been reported at the 21st Army Science Conference at the University of Maryland (Baltimore County).

In collaboration with Sami Kilic, visiting scientist, and Mete Sozen, Professor of Civil Engr, I have completed a simulation study of the Pentagon 9/11 attack. Sozen is member of the Pentagon damage assessment team, organized by ASCE, and the work is included in their official report. The simulation results can be found at <http://www.cs.purdue.edu/homes/cmh/simulation>.

Additional findings in the more general setting of computational geometry include an investigation of the practical utility of kinetic data structures, a concept developed by Guibas and Basch at Stanford, and significant advances in geometric constraint solving, a key technology for positioning and moving geometric entities based on constraints. There has also been work on extracting geometric information from confocal microscopy images.

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Inventions

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Technology Transfer

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<http://www.cs.purdue.edu/homes/cmh/simulation/> for details. The study was cited in the ASCE Pentagon Building Performance Report released 1-23-2003.